

The Daily Standard.

Friday, October 3rd, 1873.

Pacific Railway Scandal.

(From the Daily News, Aug. 28th.)

At the earliest possible moment, as we learn from an official statement in a Montreal paper, the whole of the circumstances relating to the Pacific Railway Scandal will be placed before a proper tribunal, and the members of the Canadian Ministry who have been implicated will be prepared to rebut the charges made against them. We sincerely hope that such will be the case. In the meantime, the attitude of Lord Dufferin, the Governor-General of the Dominion, inspires the conviction that, however, this matter may end, his reputation will remain unimpaired. He has taken the informal opportunity afforded by a dinner in his honor to declare that, as far as he is concerned, justice will be done without delay or favor. It is unfortunate that the course taken by some Canadian public men and several Canadian journals should have necessitated any such statement from Lord Dufferin, and that the suspicious or party feeling of individuals should have found a new vent in unjustifiable charges and insinuations against him. While many persons in Canada are assuming guilt before hearing all the evidence, and are apparently reluctant to wait for the issue of an impartial investigation, the journals of the United States are expending much virtuous indignation upon the Canadian Ministry, and are not backward in expressing their gratification at the hindrances which have been placed to the immediate construction of a railway through British territory from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Whatever the result of the present controversy may be, the merits of the Canadian Pacific Railway scheme will not be affected. It is a work which, though undertaken by Canada, is Imperial in its scope; for it at least promises when completed, to give to the merchants of Liverpool communication with the ports of China and Japan by a route which on land is wholly through British territory, and which in distance diminishes the journey by twelve hundred miles compared with that passing through the territory of the United States. Several years have elapsed since the scheme itself was projected; Mr. Alfred Waddington, a rich colonist of British Columbia, having devoted his fortune to give effect to it, and dying prematurely while urging its adoption. He was to this railway what the Welshman, John Plummer, was to the American line; the latter having proposed to make such a railway in the year 1836, which others got the credit of beginning in the year 1863. Mr. Waddington's surveys, pamphlets, and lectures produced some effect; but the incorporation of British Columbia with Canada made some such scheme apparently a necessity. At present the valuable province of British Columbia is to the Dominion, of which it forms a part, what Scotland would be to England if a thousand miles of wild country through which there was no roads intervened between them; and if in order to journey from Edinburgh to London, it was necessary to go round by Ireland. A condition of the incorporation of this province was that a railway should be constructed within ten years. To carry out this condition, the Government of Canada entrusted the charter of the railway to a Company presided over by Sir Hugh Allan. It is now contended that corrupt motives influenced the Government in making this selection. But whether this preliminary step were wisely or improperly taken, the railway itself, as a project remains.

What the project is may be learned in detail from a very interesting book just published, with the title of "Oceana to Ocean." The author, the Rev. G. M. Grant, was secretary to an exploring expedition, led by Mr. Sandford Fleming, Engineer-in-Chief of the Canadian Pacific and Intercolonial Railways. This expedition went last year from the port of Halifax, on the Atlantic, to the port of Reginald, on the Pacific, passing through the province of Manitoba, across the North West Territory, recently in the possession of the Hudson's Bay Company, across the Rocky Mountains, down the Great Valley of the Fraser River, in British Columbia, across the Straits to Vancouver's Island, returning home by way of San Francisco and the American Pacific Railway. Mr. Grant's book is in the preponderant and most useful form of a diary kept from day to day and written on the spot. He is not the first traveler over the same ground who has narrated his experiences. Captain Palliser was the head of a party sent out by our Government to reconnoitre the country some years ago—a task which he was three years in performing, and of which the minute record forms one of the most readable Blue-books ever issued at the public expense. Lord Milton and Dr. Chedoke, in their adventurous "North-West Passage by Land," added considerably to our knowledge of the region; while Captain Butler, in his "Great Lone Land," gave a vivid and skillful picture of one part and aspect of the same vast tracts. All these explorers agree in thinking the country not only well adapted for a railway, but also that it is a country of great natural wealth, abounding in minerals, well fitted to be a comfortable abode for the agriculturist and the miner, the fisherman and the mechanic, and destined to be the future home of millions of prosperous people. The Rev. Mr. Grant, who saw this country for the first time, and who travelled through it without a single prepossession derived from reading—for not till after his return home had he perused the works of preceding travellers—states his conclusion in words which coincide with the anticipation of Mr. Waddington and others. He assures us that the rugged and little known country extending from the Upper Ottawa to the Red River of the North is not, as is shown on American maps, impracticable for a railway, but is entirely the reverse; "that those vast regions of Laurentian and Hesperian rocks, once pronounced worthless, are rich in miner-

als beyond conception, rich in gold, silver, copper, iron, tin, phosphates of lime, and—strange as the assertion may appear—probably coal." Beyond these regions comes that tract of rich country called the Fertile Belt, "an immense tract of the finest land in the world, bounded on the west by coal for millions so extensive that all other coal-fields are small in comparison." He can not more perfectly convey his own impressions and those of the scientific and professional men whom he accompanied, than in the words of another careful explorer, Professor Hind:—"It is a physical reality of the highest importance to the interests of British North America that a continuous belt, rich in water, woods and pasture, can be settled and cultivated from a few miles west of the Lake of the Woods to the passes of the Rocky Mountains." Over the Rocky Mountains themselves the route is comparatively easy. Whereas the American Pacific Railway has to surmount two mountain chains, one at the height of, in round numbers, eight thousand, the other of seven thousand feet, the Canadian Railway would pass over one chain only, at the height of three thousand feet. The route through British Columbia would be difficult, but is said to be practicable; and then it would open up to commerce and settlement the western islands of the Pacific, "rich in coal, bituminous and anthracite, and almost every variety of mineral wealth, in lumber, fish, and soil, and blessed with one of the most delightful climates of the world." If the Canadian Pacific Railway were constructed, the loss of the Island of San Juan would be a matter of utter indifference; should the railway not be constructed, the acquisition of the Island of San Juan by the United States may be the precursor of the loss by this country of the entire Province of British Columbia. Such are some of the somewhat too enthusiastic not to say dithyrambic conclusions to which this work of Mr. Grant would seem to point. We cannot say that we can endorse all his optimistic convictions; but it is at least a pity that the prospects of a scheme which would probably be beneficial to civilization should be temporarily affected in public estimation by the serious scandal that is now engaging the attention of patriotic Canadians.

THE GREAT FAMILY WEEKLY.—THE CHRISTIAN UNION, an unsectarian independent journal devoted to religion, morals, reform, literature, music, science, art, agriculture, trade, finance, &c., (twenty-four pages quarto) and containing household stories, choice poems, tales for children, etc., embracing contributions from well known and talented writers. Henry Ward Beecher editor, and containing his Lecture Room Talk and Star Papers, as well as his powerful editorials and occasional reviews, and he is assisted by an able staff of skilful and experienced journalists, while the contributions embrace well known and eminent writers from every evangelical denomination, and the most distinguished authors of literary circles in England and America, while its literary attractions are unsurpassed. It has the largest circulation in the world of its class, and is most widely quoted. Mr. Tucker is agent for Messrs J. B. Ford & Co., the publishers who will wait upon the citizens and show the Subscribers French Olograph, entitled "Little Runaway and her Pets," the premium presented to every subscriber. The picture is a fac simile of a \$1200 oil painting by Leitch, the latest and brilliant work of that great French painter.

New Advertisements.

Furnished Apartments

WITH OR WITHOUT BOARD, CHURCH BANK HOUSE, RAE STREET, VICTORIA, B. C.

Boats For Hire.

ANY PERSONS WISHING TO HIRE Boats can get them at James Bay Bridge during the winter months at one dollar per day. oc3 1m

Tenders.

SEALED TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED until 7 o'clock P. M., on Wednesday next, for the purpose of building and erecting a bridge between Quadra and Vancouver streets. Plans and specifications can be seen at the City Clerk's Office daily from 10 to 12 o'clock.

For Order of the Mayor and Council. 2nd October, 1873. W. M. LAMONT, C.M.O. oc3

S. WHITLEY.

Dominion Livery Stables,

GOVERNMENT STREET, Next the Hook and Ladder House.

HUGGIES, DRIVING AND SADDLE HORSES

For Hire on Reasonable Terms oc1 1y

Team For Hire.

GEORGE FRANCIS BEGS TO NOTIFY the public that his team stands open for hire at any hour of the day or night.

on Tronoe Alley, ready for hire at any hour of the day or night. oc1

Belmont Tanning and Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Co. Limited.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE FIRST GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will be held on Monday next the 6th prox., at the Company's Office, Government Street, at 1 P. M.

J. C. BALES, Secretary. Victoria, September 29th, 1873. oc3

Fire Department Election.

Notice. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS of the "Firemen's Protection Act, 1861," Notice is hereby given, that an Election for Chief Engineer and Assistant Engineer of the Victoria Fire Department will take place on MONDAY the 6th of October next, at the Hook and Ladder House on Government Street.

Polls will open at 10 A. M. and close at 4 P. M. Victoria, Sept. 19th, 1873. President Victoria F. D. oc3

GRAND BALL!

ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE for giving a

GRAND BALL

At the Alhambra Hall, on the Evening of the 6th of October.

Prof. Schaffer's Band

Will be in attendance. Dancing will commence at 9 o'clock. TICKETS \$1; Ladies Free. oc3

New Advertisements.

For Sale.

1000 STOCK SHEEP. 2 SPAN OF WORK HORSES.

For Sale by JOHN PARKER & CO., Cor. Government and Fort Streets.

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Parker's Market.

JOHN PARKER & CO., Corner of Fort and Government Streets.

BEG TO INFORM THE INHABITANTS of Victoria and vicinity, that they will OPEN ON FRIDAY, the 2nd inst., the above Market, and will keep constantly on hand a choice selection of MEATS, etc., which they are prepared to offer at the very lowest rates, and hope by strict attention to business, to merit a share of public patronage.

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Just Arrived and now Landing Ex Charlotte Clarke.

114 pkgs Dry Goods, Clothing, &c.

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GOVERNMENT STREET (Opposite the Post Office)

THIS DAY. AUCTION SALE OF STOCK.

T. B. HUMPHREYS

Has received instructions to sell by Auction on

Friday, October 3rd, 1873.

AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON.

On the premises of Mr. THOS. HARRIS, adjoining the Lion Brewery, Cedar Hill Road one mile from Town

100 Head of well bred HEIFERS,

From imported English Stock, by the most celebrated Stock-breeders of Oregon and Washington Territory.

ALSO—A Few WELL BRED COWS IN CALF

TERMS OF SALE—For all sums over \$200 approved indorsed paper at 30 days discount. A Lunch will be provided at 11 o'clock.

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CURRANTS in cases, tins and patent jars.

CANDIED PEACHES in 7 lb tins and 2 lb bottles.

CONFECTIONERY—Volckman's in 1 lb bottles and 7 lb tins.

MARMALADE in jars and tins.

JAMS & JELLIES.

TEA—Congou and Mixed.

CANDLES—Price's Patent Belmont.

SAUCES—Assorted.

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Canadian Opinion of the Province as a Field for Settlement.

The Bruce, Ontario, *Herald* of the 12th of last month gives in brief the following opinion of a traveller just returned to Canada on a hurried visit to British Columbia, and the Pacific Coast: "Mr. Sheriff Sutton returned on Monday last from his trip to the Pacific Coast. He visited several places in British Columbia, Oregon and California—he is a shrewd and practical man, a close observer, and is capable of forming a correct opinion of what he comes in contact with. Those of our readers who may have thoughts of removing to that distant Province might find it to their advantage to have his views of it as a field of enterprise and settlement. He is well known to most of the settlers in the country. He was one of its pioneers, took an active part in its development, and is therefore well acquainted with the difficulties and wants of the early settlers in a new country. The Sheriff speaks highly of the mineral, timber and fishing wealth of British Columbia. In his travels, which did not amount to a tour, he saw lands well adapted for settlement in the vicinity of New Westminster, a town near the mouth of the Fraser River. The Government gives these lands on very favorable terms to settlers. He speaks well of the country on the whole, and at the least indicates the comparatively mild climate."

DISTINGUISHED WEDDINGS.—Among late London events in high life is this:—Adeline Louisa Maria, Countess of Cardigan, daughter of the late Mr. Spencer and Lady Louisa de Horsey, and Lieutenant General the Earl of Cardigan, who died March 27, 1868, has been married at the French Chapel Portman Square, London, to Antonio Manoel, Comte de Rancosere Esvai Extraordinaire and Ministere plenipotentiaire en Disposition de His Majesty the King of Portugal at the Court of Queen Victoria.

New Advertisements.

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AND

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BOILED LISCED OIL.—In barrels and Kegs
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WHITE LEAD.—Genuine Extra Quality, in 25
25 lb Kegs.

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PURTY IN SKINS.

WINDOW GLASS in 50 foot boxes, all sizes

For Sale by

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HEAVY GRAIN SACKS,

BURLAP BAGS for Oats or Barley

For Sale by

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HEMP & DUNDEE CARPETS.

TAPESTRY CARPETS.

KIDDERMINSTER CARPETS.

FELT DRUGGETS 6-4 wide.

TABLE OIL CLOTHS.

For Sale by

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ENAMELLED SAUCEPANS & COVERS,
in Casks,

ENAMELLED STEWPANS & COVERS,
in Casks,

TINNED SAUCEPANS AND COVERS,
in Casks,

ENGLISH FRY PANS assorted sizes.

For Sale by

Janion Rhodes & Co.

BLANKETS

2½ point White, Blue, Scarlet
and Green.

3 point,
3½ point Brown, Gentian,
4 point.

FLANNELS

White, Scarlet, Yellow,
Blue and Green.

For Sale by

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SOAP.

Widnes Crown Soap in 12 lb boxes.
Pale Yellow Soap in 54 lb boxes.
Blue Mottled Soap in 25 and 56
lb boxes.
Tallow Crown Soap in 25 and 56
lb boxes.
R. Irving & Co.'s Pale, Brasive
and Chemical Oils in 10 and
25 lb boxes.
Brown Windsor and Perfumed
Soaps, from J. Gosnell & Co.,
London.

For Sale by

Janion, Rhodes & Co.

Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED REQUESTS that
all debts due to the late R. C. Coleman of Gages, be
paid at once, to Messrs Drake & Jackson, Solicitors,
Victoria, and those having claims against the estate will
please hand them in for settlement.

JOHN MARWICK,
Attorney at Law, and Executor of the Estate of
Victoria, B. C., 20th September, 1873.

Notice

DURING MY ABSENCE FROM VICTORIA,
Chas. McK. Smith holds my power of Attorney.
A. DECOMBES.

